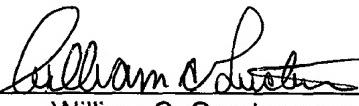


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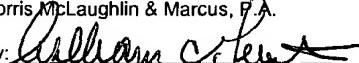
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Claim 2 (amended). The adhesive tape [as claimed in] according to claim 1, wherein the crosslinked epoxy resin layer is prepared using liquid, solvent-free epoxy resins based on bisphenol A, based on bisphenol F or bisphenol A/F, reactively diluted or plasticized epoxy resins, polyfunctional novolak glycidyl ether resins, aliphatic or cycloaliphatic epoxy resins [and] or mixtures of said epoxy resins.

Claim 3 (amended). The adhesive tape [as claimed in claims 1 and 2] according to Claim 1, wherein curing agents used for the epoxy resins comprise formulated polyethers/polyamines, nonformulated aliphatic polyamines, araliphatic polyamines, cycloaliphatic polyamines, aromatic amine curing agents, modified polyamines, polyamidoamines, polyaminoimidazoline, polyether amines, formulated adducts [and] or mixtures of said amines.

Claim 4 (amended). The adhesive tape [as claimed in any of claims 1 to 3] according to Claim 1, wherein the crosslinked epoxy resin comprises fillers, plasticizers and, [if desired] optionally, auxiliaries and additives as further formulating constituents.

Claim 5 (amended). The adhesive tape [as claimed in any of claims 1 to 4] according to Claim 1, wherein on the reverse of the crosslinked epoxy resin there is a release coating.

Claim 6 (amended). The adhesive tape [as claimed in at least one of the preceding claims] according to Claim 1, wherein the self-adhesive composition has the following makeup:

ethylene from 10 to 30[, with particular preference from 10 to 15]% by weight

vinyl acetate from 20 to 55[, with particular preference from 30 to 35]% by weight

acrylic ester from 30 to 69[, with particular preference from 50 to 60]% by weight

acrylamide from 0 to 8[, with particular preference 0.5]% by weight.

Claim 7 (amended). The adhesive tape [as claimed in at least one of the preceding claims] according to Claim 1, wherein the self-adhesive composition has a thickness of from 15 to 40 μm .

Claim 8 (amended). [The use of an adhesive tape as claimed in at least one of the preceding claims] A method for masking window flanges which comprises applying the tape of Claim 1 to said flanges.

Claim 9 (amended). A process for producing [an] the adhesive tape [as claimed in at least one of the preceding claims] of claim 1, which comprises applying [the mixed] a mixture of starting components of the epoxy resin during their chemical reaction phase directly on the polyester film.

Claim 10 (amended). The process [as claimed in] of claim 9, wherein the polyester film is provided with the self-adhesive composition prior to coating with the crosslinked epoxy resin opposite the side to be coated with epoxy resin.